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**BRASS KNOB MISSION 3532**  
**3 APRIL 1963**



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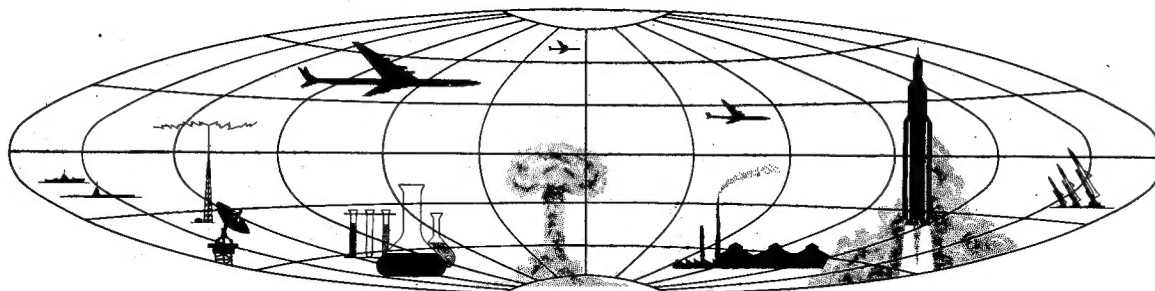


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IMMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3532, DATED 3 APRIL 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

-MISSILES-

25X1A

CIENFUEGOS SAM SITE 2202N 08024W

SITE CONTAINS 6 UNRETTED CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCHERS, 5 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.

25X1D

CAIBARIEN SAM SITE 2228N 07929W

SITE CONTAINS 6 UNRETTED CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCHERS, 6 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND A CANVAS-COVERED GUIDANCE AREA.

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JIGUANI SAM SITE 2021N 07620W

THREE UNCOVERED LAUNCHERS WITH MISSILES, 2 CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCHERS, 8 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED.

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ESMERALDA SAM SITE 2155N 07813W

SIX RETTTED LAUNCHERS, 4 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND A GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED.

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SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM SITE 1959N 07550W

SIX LAUNCHERS AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA VISIBLE.  
OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

CIEGO DE AVILA SAM SITE 2142N 07850W

FIVE LAUNCHERS, 7 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS AND AN  
OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA VISIBLE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

25X1D

CIEGO DE AVILA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2152N 07844W

AREA CONTAINS 25 PROBABLE MISSILE TRANSPORTERS WITH  
PRIME-MOVERS, AND 21 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OR PIECES  
OF EQUIPMENT.

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MALDONADO SAM SITE 2012N 07528W

SITE CONTAINS 6 REVETTED LAUNCHERS (3 WITH MISSILES),  
6 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.

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HOLGUIN SAM SITE 2052N 07627W

THREE LAUNCHERS AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA  
VISIBLE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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MANAGUA SAM SITE 2259N 08215W

SITE COMPLETE.  
NO MISSILE EQUIPMENT OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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GUERRA POSSIBLE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2300N 0825W

NO CHANGE IN CRATE AND TRANSPORTER COUNT.  
APPROXIMATELY 70 VEHICLES VISIBLE. TWO PROBABLE  
TRANSPORTERS OBSERVED IN WOODED AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

-AIRFIELDS-

CAMAGUEY INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2125N 07751W

AIRCRAFT -- 2 FAGOT/FRESCO VISIBLE IN CLOUD-FREE  
AREAS.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

HOLGUIN AIRFIELD 2048N 07618W

AIRCRAFT -- 11 FAGOT/FRESCO VISIBLE IN CLOUD-FREE  
AREAS.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

LOS CANOS AIRFIELD 2004N 07509W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

PRESTON AIRFIELD 2044N 07539W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

ANTONIO MACEO AIRFIELD 1958N 07550W

AIRCRAFT -- ONE COACH/CRATE AND ONE CAB VISIBLE.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

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SAN ANTONIO DE LOS BANDOS AIRFIELD 2252N 08231W

AIRCRAFT -- 9 FISHBED, 4 FAGOT/FRESCO, 2 T-6,  
11 B-26, AND 2 FARMERS VISIBLE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

JOSE MARTI INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2300N 08224W

AIRCRAFT -- 3 CONSTELLATION, 3 C-54, 4 C-46, ONE CAB,  
3 CRATE, ONE BRITANNIA, ONE CRATE FUSELAGE, ONE COOT,  
ONE LODESTAR, AND ONE LIAISON VISIBLE IN CLOUD-FREE  
AREAS.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

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CAMPO LIBERTAD AIRFIELD 2306N 08226W

AIRCRAFT -- 3 CRATE, 1 CAB, 2 COLT, 21  
LIAISON/TRAINER, AND ONE PBY VISIBLE IN  
CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

MARIEL NAVAL AIR STATION 2300N 08246W

NO AIRCRAFT VISIBLE.  
APPROXIMATELY 60 VEHICLES OBSERVED AT EAST END OF  
RUNWAY.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

PLAYA BARACOA AIRFIELD 2302N 08235W

AIRCRAFT -- 42 HOUND, 4 HARE, 2 BELL HELICOPTERS,  
ONE CAB, AND ONE CRATE VISIBLE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

MANAGUA AIRFIELD 2258N 08217W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

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BAYAMO EAST AIRFIELD 2023N 07638W

AIRCRAFT -- 6 LIAISON-TYPE AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

-PORTS-

MARIEL PORT 2301N 08245W

VESSELS -- 12 KOMAR-CLASS PGMG, 2 PF, AND 3  
PROBABLE PC.  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

PUNTA ALEGRE PORT 2223N 07847W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED  
IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

MANZANILLO PORT 2021N 07707W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

SANTIAGO DE CUBA PORT 2001N 07550W

VESSELS -- 3 LARGE FREIGHTERS AND ONE TANKER.  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

NUEVITAS PORT 2132N 07716W

VESSELS -- ONE LARGE CARGO VESSEL (ATKARSK-TYPE)  
VISIBLE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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CAIBARIEN PORT 2232N 07928W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED  
IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

CARDENAS PORT 2302N 08112W

VESSELS -- ONE LARGE VESSEL OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE  
AREAS.  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

JUCARO PORT 2137N 07851W

VESSELS -- ONE FREIGHTER OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

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SANTA LUCIA PORT 2240N 08358W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

HAVANA PORT 2308N 08221W

VESSELS -- 12 LARGE FREIGHTERS, ONE SMALL FREIGHTER  
AND 3 TRAWLERS OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

CABANAS PORT 2259N 08256W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED IN  
CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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BAHIA HONDA PORT 2255N 08311W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED IN  
CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

PUERTO PADRE PORT 2113N 07632W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED  
IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

GUANTANAMO AREA 1 2005N 07523W

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

LA FLORA AREA, MILITARY STORAGE 2252N 08233W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES OBSERVED IN  
CLOUD-FREE AREAS.  
TWENTY-SEVEN VEHICLES VISIBLE.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

LA BOCA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08242W

THIRTEEN VEHICLES OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2053N 07614W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN COUNT OR DEPLOYMENT OF TENTS,  
VEHICLES OR PIECES OF EQUIPMENT IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.  
SCATTERED CLOUDS AND CLOUD SHADOW PRECLUDE FURTHER  
INTERPRETATION.

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CAMAGUEY AREA, MILITARY CAMP 1 2121N 07751W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
FIFTY-FIVE VEHICLES OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.



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SAN GERMAN AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2029N 07559W

SEE ALTO CEDRO, ARTILLERY TRAINING AREA.



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ALTO CEDRO, ARTILLERY TRAINING AREA 2029N 07600W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
FIFTY-SIX VEHICLES OBSERVED.



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CAMAGUEY AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2126N 07753W

TWO CARGO TRUCKS VISIBLE.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.



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EL CRISTO, MILITARY INSTALLATION 2007N 07546W

AREA CONTAINS 50 FA PIECES, 29 PRIME-MOVERS,  
APPROXIMATELY 35 VEHICLES, AND APPROXIMATELY 20 TENTS.



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LOMAS DE CRISTO, MILITARY AREA 2006N 07546W

SEE EL CRISTO MILITARY INSTALLATION.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

LAGUNA SIGUA, MILITARY AREA 1954N 07531W

NO MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

HAVANA AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08218W

AREA 1 -- 12 TANKS/SP GUNS AND 3 VEHICLES VISIBLE.

AREA 2 -- 7 VEHICLES VISIBLE.

AREA 3 -- 21 TANKS/SP GUNS AND 7 VEHICLES VISIBLE.

AREA 4 -- 19 VEHICLES VISIBLE.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY 2051N 07617W

LOCATED 2.4 NM SW OF HOLGUIN AT 20-51-42N 076-17-29W.  
TWENTY-ONE LARGE TENTS (NOT OF KNOWN SOVIET TYPE) AND  
ONE CARGO TRUCK OBSERVED.

AREA IS NOT SECURED.

NUMEROUS TRENCHES AND POSITIONS OBSERVED IN  
FIELDS IMMEDIATELY TO THE NW.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

-MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-

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LA BOCA, INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION 2301N 08245W

CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES.

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-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS SHOW NO CHANGE SINCE  
LAST COVERAGE --

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SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 3	2242N 08308W
SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 4	2246N 08258W
GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 2	2257N 08236W
CHAPARRA SAM SITE	2107N 07626W
SENADO SAM SITE	2136N 07733W
SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA	2003N 07553W
CERCA DE PIEDRA, SUSPECT SAM SUPPORT AREA	2004N 07551W
BAHIA HONDA, MILITARY CAMP	2258N 08311W
MINAS, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA	2307N 08212W
SPECIAL AREA ALPHA	2258N 08227W
SPECIAL AREA HOTEL	2301N 08246W
SPECIAL AREA BRAVO RED	2254N 08231W
SPECIAL AREA TANGO	2258N 08244W
SIBONEY LANDING BEACH	1957N 07542W
TARARA LANDING BEACH	2310N 08212W
MAR VERDE LANDING BEACH	1957N 07557W
NICARO LANDING BEACH	2042N 07533W
SAN FRANCISCO DE PAULA, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE	2303N 08218W
BEJUCAL, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITES	2256N 08223W

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THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT  
NOT INTERPRETED --

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GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 1	2257N 08239W
SANTA LUCIA SAM SITE	2241N 08355W
MARIEL SAM SITE	2300N 08249W
BAHIA HONDA SAM SITE	2257N 08317W
HAVANA SAM SITE	2309N 08213W
MANZANILLO SAM SITE	2018N 07706W
VICTORIA DE LAS TUNAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA	2104N 07700W
SANTA CRUZ DEL NORTE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE	2309N 08156W
CIENFUEGOS PORT	2209N 08027W
MANZANILLO AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2017N 07706W

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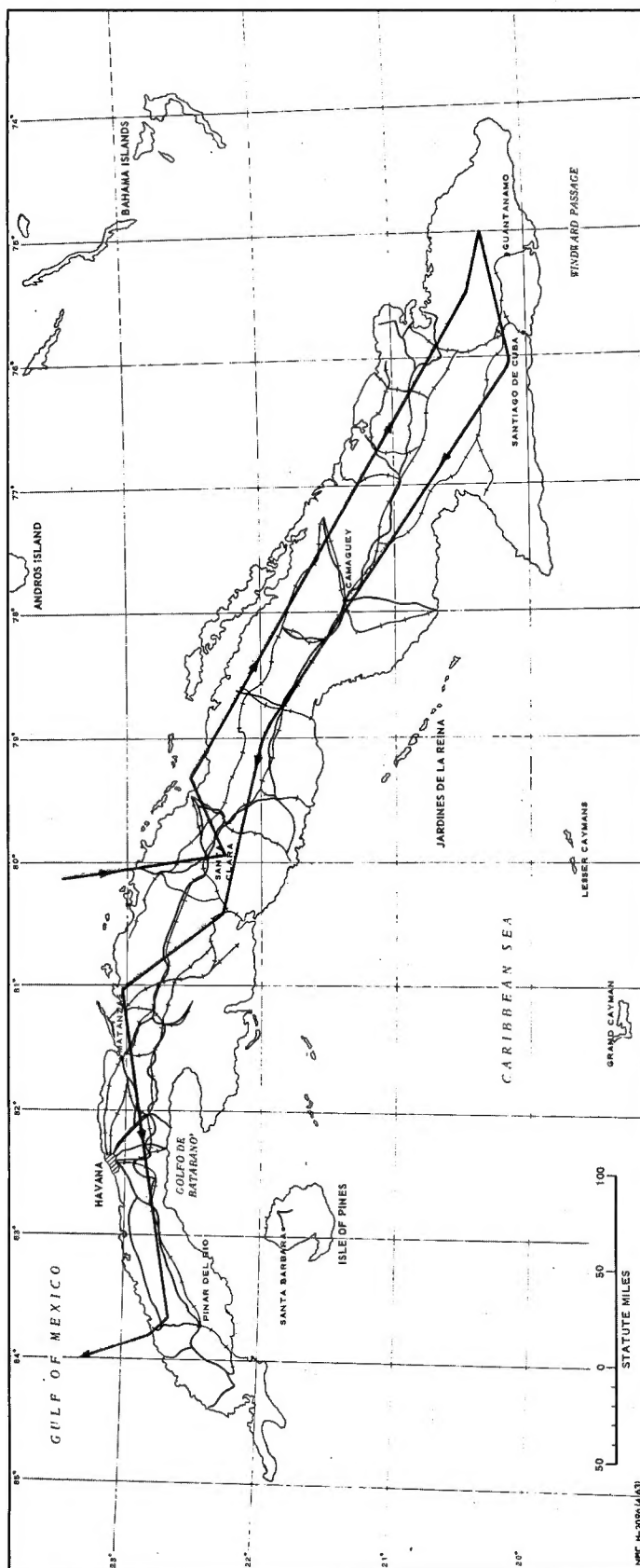
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ARTEMISA, MILITARY CAMP	2251N 08248W
REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2227N 07934W
SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2258N 08220W
TORRENS, MILITARY COMPLEX	2259N 08228W
SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY	2221N 07957W
VICTORIA DE LAS TUNAS, MILITARY CAMP	2054N 07655W
GUANABO AREA, MILITARY AREA	2311N 08203W
VARADERO LANDING BEACH	2308N 08118W
ENSENADA COLORADO LANDING BEACH	2202N 08025W
SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY INSTALLATION	2224N 07953W

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